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Transmitted herewith for filing pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is the patent application of:

**Inventor(s):** WOLFGANG PAPIERNIK & GUIDO STÖPPLER  
**For:** Method for Identifying a Control Path of a Controlled System  
**Assignee:** SIEMENS AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT, München, Germany

Applicant claims small entity status pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.27.

Enclosed are:

- Application Data Sheet pursuant to 37 CFR 1.76.
- Specification with 18 pages, 12 claims and 2 sheets of drawing.
- Declaration with  Power of attorney.
- Assignment.
- Cover letter in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §3.31 to accompany the assignment submitted for recording.
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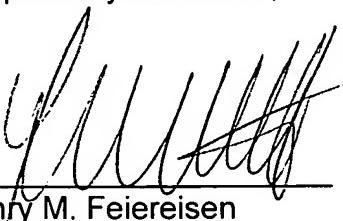
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Applicant hereby claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §119 (a)-(d) on the basis of German Patent Application No. 103 00 543.9, filed January 9, 2003.

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